## Placer County Stormwater Quality Division

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# **Portable Toilets**

Best Management Practices

# What to consider when placing Portable Toilets:

Portable/Chemical toilets are to be located in such a manner that if they are either damaged or knocked over, the contents could not enter a stormwater drainage system.

- Place portable toilets behind a curb when possible.
- Place at least 50 feet away from drain inlets if possible.
- Secure with stakes or other methods to prevent knocking over by wind or vandalism.
- Keep on a flat surface away from creeks and away from flood prone areas.
- Make level to prevent tipping over.
- If necessary create a barrier to contain any leaks or spills that may occur.
- Sanitary or septic wastes should be treated or disposed of in accordance with state and local requirements.
- Untreated raw wastewater should not be discharged or buried within the project site.
- Only reputable, licensed sanitary and septic waste haulers should be used.
- Sanitary facilities should be located in a convenient location.
- Regular waste collection by a licensed hauler should be arranged before facilities overflow.



#### Stormwater Pollution

As rainwater flows over driveways and sidewalks, it picks up debris, chemicals, and other pollutants. Unlike water in sanitary sewers, anything that enters a storm drain flows directly to natural water bodies like lakes, rivers and streams, without being treated. Materials washed into the storm drains end up in these open waters where they degrade water quality, harming fish and wild-life and polluting the water we use for swimming, fishing, and drinking.

Discharge of pollutants into the storm drainage system or surrounding water bodies is prohibited. Release of any 'non-stormwater' discharge is illegal.



# To report a spill or illegal discharge:

Call the Placer County 24-hour hotline: (530) 745-7555

Or Email: stormwaterquality@placer.ca.gov

For emergencies, dial 911.

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Household Hazardous Waste Disposal and Recycling Information

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